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undue risk to the health and safety of the public;

(v) Whether the applicant is technically and financially qualified to design and manufacture the proposed reactor(s);

(vi) Whether the issuance of a license for manufacture of the reactor(s) will be inimical to the common defense and security or to the health and safety of the public; and

(vii) Whether, in accordance with the requirements of subpart A of part 51 and appendix M of part 52 of this chapter, the license should be issued as proposed.

(2) That, if the proceeding is not a contested proceeding, the presiding officer will determine (i) without conducting a de novo evaluation of the application, whether the application and the record of the proceeding contain sufficient information, and the review of the application by the Commission's staff has been adequate to support affirmative findings on paragraphs (b)(1)(i) through (v) of this section and a negative finding on paragraph (b)(1)(vi) of this section proposed to be made and the issuance of the license to manufacture proposed by the Director of Nuclear Reactor Regulation, and (ii) whether the review conducted by the Commission pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) has been adequate.

(3) That, regardless of whether the proceeding is contested or uncontested, the presiding officer will, in accordance with subpart A of part 51 and paragraph 3 of appendix M of part 52 of this chapter,

(i) Determine whether the requirements of section 102(2) (A), (C) and (E) of the National Environmental Policy Act and subpart A of part 51 of this chapter have been complied with in the proceeding;

(ii) Independently consider the final balance among conflicting factors contained in the record of the proceeding with a view to determining the appropriate action to be taken; and

(iii) Determine whether the manufacturing license should be issued, denied or appropriately conditioned to protect environmental values.

(c) The place of hearing on an application for a manufacturing license will

be Washington, DC, or such other location as the Commission deems appropriate.

[38 FR 30252, Nov. 2, 1973, as amended at 39 FR 26279, July 18, 1974; 39 FR 33202, Sept. 16, 1974; 49 FR 9401, Mar. 12, 1984; 54 FR 15398, Apr. 18, 1989; 54 FR 52342, Dec. 21, 1989]

§ 2.502 Notice of hearing on application for a permit to construct a nuclear power reactor manufactured pursuant to a Commission license issued pursuant to appendix M of part 52 of this chapter at the site at which the reactor is to be operated.

The issues stated for consideration in the notice of hearing on an application for a permit to construct a nuclear power reactor(s) which is the subject of an application for a manufacturing license pursuant to appendix M of part 52 of this chapter, will be those stated in § 2.104(b) and, in addition, whether the site on which the facility is to be operated falls within the postulated site parameters specified in the relevant application for a manufacturing license.

[40 FR 2976, Jan. 17, 1975, as amended at 54 FR 15398, Apr. 18, 1989]

§ 2.503 Finality of decisions on separate issues.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, no matter which has been resolved at an earlier stage of the licensing process which involves a manufacturing license, a permit to construct a reactor for which a manufacturing license is sought, a license to operate such a reactor, and any amendment to such permit or licenses shall be determined to be at issue in any subsequent state of the licensing process except on the basis of significant new information that substantially affects the conclusion(s) reached at the earlier stage or other good cause.

§ 2.504 Applicability of other sections.

The provisions of subparts A and G relating to construction permits apply to manufacturing licenses subject to this subpart, with respect to matters of radiological health and safety, environmental protection, and the common defense and security, except that § 2.104 (a) and (b) do not apply to manufacturing licenses. The provisions of subparts A and G relating to construction

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permits and operating licenses apply, respectively, to construction permits and operating licenses subject to this subpart, except as qualified by the provisions of this subpart.

Subpart F—Additional Procedures Applicable to Early Partial Decisions on Site Suitability Issues in Connection With an Application for a Permit To Construct Certain Utilization Facilities

SOURCE: 42 FR 22885, May 5, 1977, unless otherwise noted.

§ 2.600 Scope of subpart.

This subpart prescribes procedures applicable to licensing proceedings which involve an early submittal of site suitability information in accordance with § 2.101(a-1), and a hearing and early partial decision on issues of site suitability, in connection with an application for a permit to construct a utilization facility which is subject to § 51.20(b) of this chapter and is of the type specified in § 50.21(b) (2) or (3) or § 50.22 of this chapter or is a testing facility.

[49 FR 9401, Mar. 12, 1984]

§ 2.601 Applicability of other sections.

The provisions of subparts A and G relating to applications for construction permits and proceedings thereon apply, respectively, to applications and proceedings in accordance with this subpart, except as specifically provided otherwise by the provisions of this subpart.

§ 2.602 Filing fees.

Each application which contains a request for early review of site suitability issues under the procedures of this subpart shall be accompanied by any fee required by § 50.30(e) and part 170 of this chapter.

§ 2.603 Acceptance and docketing of application for early review of site suitability issues.

(a) Each part of an application submitted in accordance with § 2.101(a-1) of this part will be initially treated as a tendered application. If it is deter-

mined that any one of the parts as described in § 2.101(a-1) is incomplete and not acceptable for processing, the Director of Nuclear Reactor Regulation will inform the applicant of this determination and the respects in which the document is deficient. Such a determination of completeness will generally be made within a period of thirty (30) days.

(b)(1) The Director of Nuclear Reactor Regulation will accept for docketing an application for a construction permit for a utilization facility which is subject to § 51.20(b) of this chapter and is of the type specified in § 50.21(b) (2) or (3) or § 50.22 or is a testing facility where part one of the application as described in § 2.101(a-1) is complete. Part one of any application will not be considered complete unless it contains proposed findings as required by § 2.101(a-1)(1)(i) and unless it describes the applicant's site selection process, specifies the extent to which that process involves the consideration of alternative sites, explains the relationship between that process and the application for early review of site suitability issues, and briefly describes the applicant's long-range plans for ultimate development of the site. Upon assignment of a docket number, the procedures in § 2.101(a) (3) and (4) relating to formal docketing and the submission and distribution of additional copies of the application shall be followed.

(2) Additional parts of the application will be docketed upon a determination by the Director of Nuclear Reactor Regulation that they are complete.

(c) If part one of the application is docketed, the Director of Nuclear Reactor Regulation will cause to be published in the FEDERAL REGISTER and send to the Governor or other appropriate official of the State in which the site is located, a notice of docketing of the application which states the purpose of the application, states the location of the proposed site, states that a notice of hearing will be published, requests comments within 120 days or such other time as may be specified on the initiation or outcome of an early site review from Federal, State, and local agencies and interested persons, and in the case of applications filed